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Japan Accepting Comments on the Establishment of New MRLs for Flonicamid in Food

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Report Highlights:

Japan is accepting comments on proposed new maximum residue limits (MRL) for Flonicamid (an insecticide). Comments are due March 30, 2006.

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On March 16th the Japanese Ministry of Health Labour and Welfare (MHLW) announced its intention to establish new maximum residue limits for Flonicamid, an insecticide. The proposed MRL are listed below.

Comments are being accepted by MHLW Standards and Evaluation Division until Thursday, March 30, 2006.

Send comments to:

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List of Maximum Residue Limits for Flonicamid in Foods (draft)

Commodity

Potato ? 0.3
Cattle, muscle ? 0.05
Watercress ? 4
Sheep, muscle ? 0.05
Other cruciferous vegetables ? 4
Horse, muscle ? 0.05
Chicory ? 4
Goat, muscle ? 0.05
Endive ? 4
Cattle, fat ? 0.02
SHUNGIKU ? 4
Sheep, fat ? 0.02
Lettuce (Cos lettuce, Leaf lettuce) ? 4
Horse, fat ? 0.02
Other composite vegetables ? 4
Goat, fat ? 0.02
Parsley ? 4
Cattle, liver ? 0.08
Celery ? 4
Sheep, liver ? 0.08
Other umbelliferous vegetables ? 4
Horse, liver ? 0.08
Tomato ? 0.4
Goat, liver ? 0.08
Pimento (Sweet pepper) ? 0.4
Cattle, kidney ? 0.08
Eggplant ? 3
Sheep, kidney ? 0.08

Other solanaceous vegetables ? 0.4
Horse, kidney ? 0.08
Cucumber (including Gherkin) ? 1
Goat, kidney ? 0.08
Pumpkin (including Squash) ? 0.4
Cattle, edible offal ? 0.08
Oriental pickling melon (vegetable) ? 0.4
Sheep, edible offal ? 0.08
Water melon ? 0.4
Horse, edible offal ? 0.08
Melons ? 2
Goat, edible offal ? 0.08
MAKUWAURI ? 0.4
Milk ? 0.02
Other cucurbitaceous vegetables ? 0.4
Chicken, muscle ? 0.02
Spinach ? 9
Other poultry, muscle ? 0.02
Other vegetables ? 4
Chicken, fat ? 0.02
Apple ? 1
Other poultry, fat ? 0.02
Japanese pear ? 0.5
Chicken, liver ? 0.02
Pear ? 0.5
Other poultry, liver ? 0.02
Quince ? 0.2
Chicken, kidney ? 0.02
Loquat ? 0.2
Other poultry, kidney ? 0.02
Peach ? 0.7
Chicken, edible offal ? 0.02
Nectarine ? 0.6
Other poultry, edible offal ? 0.02
Apricot ? 0.6
Chicken, eggs ? 0.03
Japanese plum (including Prunes) ? 0.6
Other poultry, eggs ? 0.03
Mume plum ? 2
Tomato puree ? 0.5
Cherry ? 0.6
Tomato paste ? 2
Strawberry ? 2
Other fruits ? 0.4
Cotton seeds ? 0.5
Tea (Green, Black, Oolong, Wulong tea) ? 40

MRLs in commodities indicated with the mark (?)= sum of the residues of flonicamid, N-(4-trifluoromethylnicotinyl)glycine and 4-trifluoromethyl nicotinic acid

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Remarks

1. “Other cruciferous vegetables” refers to all cruciferous vegetables except Japanese radish roots and leaves (including radish), turnip roots and leaves, horseradish, watercress, Chinese cabbage, cabbage, brussels sprouts, kale, komatsuna (Japanese mustard spinach), kyona, quing-geng-cai, cauliflower, broccoli and herbs.
2. “Other composite vegetables” refers to all composite vegetables except burdock, salsify, artichoke, chicory, endive, shungiku, lettuce (including cos lettuce and leaf lettuce) and herbs.
3. “Other umbelliferous vegetables” refers to all umbelliferous vegetables except carrot, parsnip, parsley, celery, mitsuba, spices and herbs.
4. “Other solanaceous vegetables” refers to all solanaceous vegetables except tomato, pimento (sweet pepper) and egg plant.
5. “Other cucurbitaceous vegetables” refers to all cucurbitaceous vegetables except cucumber (including gherkin), pumpkin (including squash), oriental pickling melon (vegetable), water melon, melons and makuwauri melon.
6. “Other vegetables” refer to all vegetables except potatoes, sugar beet, sugarcane, cruciferous vegetables, composite vegetables, liliaceous vegetables, umbelliferous vegetables, cucurbitaceous vegetables, spinach, bamboo shoots, okra, ginger, peas (with pods, immature), kidney beans (with pods, immature), green soybeans, mushrooms, spices and herbs.
7. “Other fruits” refers to all fruits except citrus fruits, apple, Japanese pear, pear, quince, loquat, peach, nectarine, apricot, Japanese plum (including prune), mume plum, cherry, berries, grape, Japanese persimmon, banana, kiwifruit, papaya, avocado, pineapple, guava, mango, passion fruit, date and spices.
8. “Other poultry” refers to all other poultry except chicken.